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United States District Court
Southern District of Texas
515 Rusk Avenue
Houston, Texas 77002

Re: Civil Action No. **H-02-0495**; Gary Gates, et al. v. Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services, et al.; In the United States District Court, Southern District of Texas, Houston, Division.

Dear Mr. Milby:

Enclosed you will find an original and two (2) copies of the following document for filing concerning the above mentioned case: reply to allegations against Respondent Korsey Smith and Respondent Bessie Smith, foster parents for Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

Please file stamp one (1) copy for the court record , and return two (2) copies marked "filed" to us in the self-addressed postage paid envelop provided for your convenience.

Thank you kindly for your consideration in this matter.

Respectfully,

Korsey Smith
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GARY GATES, et al.,
Plaintiffs,

CIVIL ACTION NO. H-02-0495

vs.

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
PROTECTIVE AND REGULATORY
SERVICES, et al.,
Defendants.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Respondent Korseey Smith deny each and every allegations in the
original petition

Respondent Bessie Smith deny each and every allegations in the
original petition.

Respectfully Submitted,

Korseey Smith
Korseey Smith

Bessie Smith

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished to all parties listed below by U. S. First-Class Mail, on this 15th day of April, 2002:

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Korse Smith, Jr.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bessie Smith". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

Bessie Smith